



# Provide a Comprehensive Path To Recovery.

With Medication-  
Assisted Treatment

CHAMPION RECOVERY



**Become Waivered**  
to Prescribe MAT



**Get Connected**  
to the Medical  
Community



**Give a Greater  
Chance for  
Recovery**

# Everyone Deserves A Chance.

## Addiction is a Chronic Disease.

It doesn't happen because of a moral weakness or a lack of willpower. Addiction is an illness and it can affect anyone. By raising awareness of that simple fact, we can help break the stigma surrounding the opioid epidemic in Ohio.

The entire medical community has a role to play in addressing the issue. Our goal is to connect everyone – from emergency departments to general practitioners to pharmacists – to the resources they need to help save lives.



## People Suffering from Addiction Deserve Every Available Resource.

### Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) Combines Proven Medications with Therapy and Support

MAT is the use of FDA-approved medication in combination with counseling and behavioral therapies to provide a “whole-patient” approach to treatment.

### MAT Requires the Involvement of all Sides of the Medical Community

Treatment works when the entire medical profession works together.

- **Emergency Departments** can help by referring patients to MAT providers and becoming wavered to prescribe MAT in the ED.
- **General Practitioners** can help by recognizing the risk factors and signs of opioid misuse and becoming wavered to prescribe MAT.
- **Pharmacists** can help by providing patient education resources.



## Re-Examine the Myths About Medication-Assisted Treatment.

### MYTHS:

- MAT isn't effective because it doesn't immediately end drug dependence.
- MAT is just substituting one drug for another.
- Patients who take MAT are looking to "get high."

### FACTS:

- MAT is evidence-based – and reduces a patient's risk of death by 50%.
- The goal of MAT is to initiate long-term recovery and reduce risk of overdose.
- MAT increases a patient's adherence to treatment and reduces the side effects of withdrawal.

# Medication-Assisted Treatment Works When We all Work Together.



MAT requires the collective effort of the medical community.

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Emergency doctors, general practitioner, pharmacists & counselors all see patients at different stages of the treatment process.

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We're here to make it easier for all of you to connect with each other and to the resources and information you need around MAT.

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